

MINUTES OF THE GEOGRAPHIC AREA STAFF MEETING, 5 JULY 1955

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PRESENT:

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1. The report by [REDACTED] on their recent trip to the Air University and the meetings of the Institute of Navigation, Maxwell Air Force Base, was briefly reviewed and [REDACTED] commented that this was one of the most comprehensive trip reports he had seen. [REDACTED] to check further on some of the recommendations.

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2. A schedule was set up for [REDACTED] Chief, St/PC/RR, to visit components of the Geographic Area, as follows:

11 July 1955,	[REDACTED] 3:00 P.M.
12 July 1955,	[REDACTED]10:00 A.M.
12 July 1955,	[REDACTED] 2:00 P.M.
13 July 1955,	[REDACTED]10:00 A.M.
13 July 1955,	[REDACTED] 2:00 P.M.

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3. Discussion of criteria for "a basic map collection for emergency use" was postponed until next staff meeting.

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4. [REDACTED] reported that because of visits to the Special Assistant for Maps by officials of foreign mapping agencies, [REDACTED] has agreed to provide space for an office in the State Annex No. 1 to the Special Assistant for Maps, and a secretary may be put on full time duty there.

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5. [REDACTED] reported that the Department of Commerce has underway a large program stimulated by the President and by the National Security Council to limit the flow of U.S. aerial photography to potential enemies. [REDACTED] has participated in the meetings and some of the D/GP recommendations will probably be accomplished.

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6. [REDACTED] reported on new arrivals to the D/GP staff. Lt. Commander Foresburg arrived today to be on a military slot in D/GP, and [REDACTED] is already on duty.

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7. [REDACTED] commented that he attended a MINICARD demonstration at Rochester, New York, last week and that it is a very impressive system.

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*8. The group discussed a draft memorandum on announcements of vacant positions in the Geographic Area. After considerable discussion, it was decided not to issue at this time a list of vacancies. For discussion at next staff meeting, [REDACTED] will prepare a statement of policy concerning transfers within the Geographic Area. Such a statement of policy might be incorporated into the paper on "Career Development in the Geographic Area".

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*10. [REDACTED] reported that the existence of special urban area studies (as reported in the staff meeting last week) has been denied. [REDACTED] commented that he thinks that they may be

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available through an office in "M" Building.